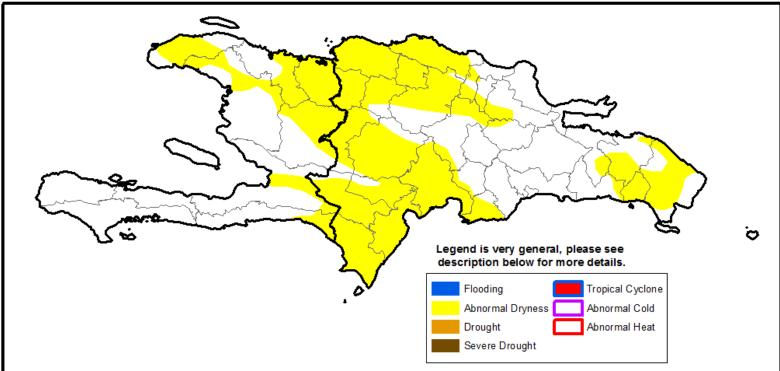


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook June 11 – June 17, 2015

Areas of abnormal dryness slowly expand with continued lack of seasonable rainfall totals.



Hispaniola remained fixed under a pattern of widespread suppressed rainfall. During the past week, Centre Department of Haiti and neighboring central provinces of the Dominican Republic received heavy downpours (> 100 mm) according to TRMM estimates. Outside of these local areas, observed rainfall remained below normal. The continuation of the dry pattern has further increased 30-day moisture deficits across many coastal areas. Seasonal percent of normal rainfall less than 25% can be observed in the Sud department of Haiti and along the southern coast of the Dominican Republic. As a result of large seasonal moisture deficits ubiquitous across Hispaniola, vegetative conditions continue to deteriorate over many parts of the island. According to vegetation indices, regions with strong signs of adversely effected ground conditions have grown to include Puerto Plata province and greater portions of La Altagracia in the Dominican Republic. Hispaniola is forecast to remain entrenched under a large scale pattern of suppressed rainfall. Should the pattern hold, many other areas are at risk of being included under abnormal dryness, especially along the Tiburon Peninsula.